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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant respectfully requests the entry of the following election in response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2006.

The Patent Office required an election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of one of the following inventions:

Species I: Figures 2, 3

("prism type optical module for bidirectional transmission and reception of signals through a single common channel")

Species 2: Figures 4a, 4b

("network consisting of prism-type optical module of the invention.")

Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute Figures 2, 3 of Species I. Species I corresponds to the optical signal multiplexer/demultiplexer of claims 1-17. The election is without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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